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Ms. Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-A325
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: *Ex Parte* Presentation
WT Docket No. 03-103; “Air-Ground Telecommunications Services”**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On November 15, 2004, Bill Pallone, President of Verizon Airfone, Leslie Owsley, Assistant General Counsel for Verizon, Mike Senkowski of Wiley Rein & Fielding, counsel to Verizon Airfone, and the undersigned met with Commissioner Kathleen Abernathy and her senior counsel Jennifer Manner to discuss the Commission’s pending rulemaking on the Air-to-Ground service. A copy of the presentation is attached.

Verizon Airfone stressed the importance of implementing a licensing regime that would facilitate the provision of a broadband Air-to-Ground (“ATG”) service at 800 MHz, and noted that the band sharing arrangement proposed in this proceeding would not support the provision of such a service. We stressed the importance of the Commission issuing a decision in this proceeding as soon as possible to ensure that the increasing demands for broadband ATG services can be met.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission’s Rules, an electronic copy of this letter is being filed for inclusion in the above-referenced docket.

Sincerely,

/s/ Donald C. Brittingham
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cc: Commissioner Abernathy
Jennifer Manner